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TOMOGRAPHIC MEASUREMENTS, USING STATISTICAL  
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application.

- AA United States Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0172408
- AB United States Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0087061
- AC United States Patent No. 6,195,409
- AD United States Patent No. 5,231,651
- AL PCT Application WO 01/01859
- AM European Application 0 485 999

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above references were cited in a Search Report rendered by the European Patent Office on February 21, 2005, in connection with the corresponding European application. A copy of the European Search Report is submitted herewith.

Copies of References AL and AM together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), and no fee is necessary. Accordingly, the undersigned counsel states, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1), that each of the above items was first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in connection with a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination, or in combination with the other references of record.

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